

## **HB2684 Bill Signing -- POW/MIA flag**

## Remarks by Gov. Jan Brewer Wednesday, August 4, 2010

Thank you all for being here; and thanks to the Patriot Guard Riders -- the Combat Veterans -- and the Legion Riders -- for assisting with our reverent purpose today.

And, of course, special thanks to Representatives David Gowan and Jerry Weiers for bringing HB 2684 to my desk.

My signature is placed on the bill with both pride and devotion.

In stipulating that the POW-MIA flag be displayed on the State Capitol, superior courthouses, city or town halls, and the main administrative buildings of each county -- we share a solemn purpose in remembering our pledge and promise to those who remain missing, their fate unknown, their families still pained by unanswered questions.

This flag will be flown to symbolize that we have not forgotten those who bravely answered the call to service, but did not return.

They gave everything -- and, we, in turn, heed the warning that "The nation which forgets its defenders will be itself forgotten."

Well, Arizona will never forget.

They were people we loved and lost, they were part of us, and they will remain our timeless heroes.

May God bless all of them, and their families, may God bless all of you, and may God bless the great state of Arizona, and the United States of America.

Thank you.